

INDIANA EMERGENCY RESPONSE COMMISSION (IERC)
Communications Committee
1729 Wabash Ave.
Rochester, IN 46975
May 11, 2015
9:00 A.M.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT

Dean Larson—Public Representative, Chair
Ian Ewusi—IDHS/IDEM
James Pridgen—Industry Representative
present via call-in

Jeff Larmore—Marion County LEPC

The following Committee members were absent:

Chad Larsh—Designee for Superintendent
of ISP

Shawn French—Industry Representative
Becky Waymire—Morgan County LEPC

QUORUM

IERC Field Rep Ian Ewusi indicated a quorum was present.

The following Commission members were present:

James Greeson— State Fire Marshal, Chair

The following staff and audience members were present:

Madison Roe—IDHS
Brad Gavin—IDHS
Catherine Dutton—IDHS
David McGuire—IDHS

Jennifer Tobey—Elkhart County
EMA/EMAI Representative
David Tofson—Fulton County EMA /
EMAI Representative

CALL-IN PROCEDURE

As one of the representatives attended the meeting via tele-conference, the commission will conduct a roll call vote for all motions.

MINUTES

Motion to accept March 9, 2015 meeting minutes was made by Mr. Pridgen seconded by Mr. Larmore.

Dean Larson—Aye
Ian Ewusi—Aye

Jeff Larmore—Aye
James Pridgen—Aye

MOTION CARRIED.

BUSINESS

- Mr. Larson gave an update on the upcoming 2015 EMAI Conference. He discussed the tentative agenda for the upcoming EMAI conference specifically detailed which presentations would cover hazardous materials. As more than 50% of the presentations will be on hazardous materials, EMAI have met one of their conditions to receive IERC funding for the conference, which was voted on and approved during the March 9, 2015 IERC meeting.
- Mr. Larson commended Mr. Pridgen and Mr. French for their efforts on the EMAI Conference Vendor Committee.
- IDHS Director Kane has confirmed his availability to address the conference and present EMAI/IERC awards. EMAI will have two County Commissioners speak about their roles and responsibilities during a disaster declaration and hazardous materials incidents. EMAI will investigate bringing in out-of-state Commissioners for future conferences to discuss other state's perspectives. Nature's Way will be presenting on animal rescue and decontamination in emergency planning and response.
- Ms. Tobey presented an estimated balance sheet for the 2015 EMAI Conference and asked the IERC to pay for half the costs of speaker fees and ProCaM, which will amount to approximately \$10,000 - \$12,000. Ms. Tobey stressed that the balance sheet was an estimate only and wanted to make the IERC aware that EMAI Conference expenses may be over or under the estimated amount. Ms. Tobey will inform the IERC of any changes to these estimated costs. Mr. Gavin stated that the grant will be a reimbursement grant, as are all grant agreements from the State, so EMAI can confirm the actual cost. The IERC has approved a \$10,000 cap but can review the amount if EMAI's costs change significantly. Ms. Dutton requested EMAI take care of their administrative requirements for doing business with the State and will work on a grant from IERC to EMAI administered through IDHS fiscal department.
- Mr. Larson asked Ms. Roe to resend the LEPC Award nomination form to the LEPCs and reminded the commission of the July 1, 2015 due date for submissions.
- Mr. Larson requested that the next Communications Committee meeting be held on July 13, 2015 at 10:00am – 12:00pm to review all the award nominations. Ms. Roe suggested that the commission review LEPC exercises of note to identify suitable candidates for awards.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned without vote.

NEXT MEETING

July 13, 2015 at 10:00am in Anderson, IN.

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